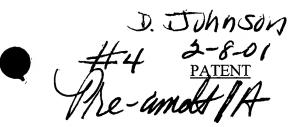
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Richard Oliver Kahn

Serial No. Not Yet Assigned

: Group Art Unit: Unknown

Filed: June 13, 2000

Examiner: Unknown

For: STROBE FLASH PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUMINATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. A camera [(2,102)] comprising [an] a detector for image capture [means (52)], an objective lens [(14,114)] with a field of view [(18,118)] to image optical radiation [(19,119)] from an object plane [(8)] onto the detector for image capture [means (52)], a strobe flash [(16,116)] for illuminating the object plane [(8)], electronic pulse circuitry [(60,160)] to pulse [(75)] the strobe flash [(16,116)] at a rate which is sufficiently quick that the illumination appears to a user of the camera [(2,102)] to be substantially steady owing to persistence of vision, and a shutter [means (104)] to synchronise the capture of one or more images by the detector for image capture [means (52)], each image being captured with at least one pulse [(75)] from the strobe flash [(16,116), characterised in that], wherein the shutter [means (104)] is adapted to

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